

NOTICE TO ALL FOOD STAMP RECIPIENTS IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

Effective October 1, 2002, State and Federal laws provide for the following:

Maximum Food Stamp Allotments: These are benefit amounts your household would receive if your household had no income.

Household Size:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Each Additional Person
	\$139	\$256	\$366	\$465	\$553	\$663	\$733	\$838	+105

Additionally, the maximum excess shelter deduction is raised from \$354.00 to \$367.00. The homeless shelter allowance of \$143.00 will remain unchanged. However, the standard deduction has changed as follows:

Household Size	Standard Deductions
1 to 4 persons	\$134.00
5 persons	\$147.00
6 or more persons	\$168.00

The Standard Utility Allowance (SUA) of \$206.00 will remain unchanged. If the SUA is used as part of your shelter deduction AND if you have had no changes in your food stamp case, your food stamp benefits may be changed. With the changes in your food stamp benefits, the amount you will get depends on your household status. These changes will be included in any notice you get that tells you about other changes in your food stamp benefits.

If you think we made a mistake in figuring your October food stamps due to the new amounts for allotments and SUA you may ask for a state hearing, **within 90 days of when you got this letter** by writing to:

or you may call toll free: 1-800-952-5253. If you are deaf and use TDD, call 1-800-952-8349. When you ask for a state hearing, you must tell us why you think we made a mistake. You can speak for yourself at the hearing or you can have a friend, attorney, or other person speak for you, but you must get these people to help you. You may ask for free legal aid at a legal aid office in your area.

致所有糧食券領取者通知 重要 — 請閱讀

自 2002 年10月1日起，州政府和聯邦政府法律對下列作了規定：
最高糧食券分配額： 假如你的家庭沒有收入，以下就是你的家庭將領取的福利金額。

家庭人口：	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	每一位另加的人員
	\$139	\$256	\$366	\$465	\$553	\$663	\$733	\$838	+105

另外，最高超額住宿扣除額從\$354.00 升高至 \$367.00。金額為\$143.00 的無家可歸住宿津貼將保持不變。但是，標準扣除額已改變如下：

家庭人口	標準扣除額
1 至 4 個人	\$134.00
5 個人	\$147.00
6 個或更多個人	\$168.00

\$206.00的標準水電費寬減額 (SUA)將保持不變。假如 SUA 被用作你部分的住宿扣除額，並且假如在你的糧食券案件中你不曾有改變的話，你的糧食券福利會有所改變。隨著你糧食券福利的改變，你將領取的金額取決於你家庭的情況。這些改變將被寫在你所收到的任何告訴你有關你糧食券福利中其他改變的通知中。

假如你認為我們由於配給額和SUA的新金額而在計算你十月份糧食券時造成了錯誤，你可以請求州聽證，**須在你收到這封信後90天以內**寫信給：

或者你可以打免費電話： 1-800-952-5253。假如你耳聾，並使用TDD（耳聾電傳機），請撥 1-800-952-8349。在你請求州聽證時，你必須告訴我們，為何你認為我們造成了錯誤。聽證時你可以為自己講話，或是你可以請朋友、律師，或其他人為你講話，但是必須由你找這些人來幫助你。你可以在你地區的法律諮詢所請求免費的法律幫助。